

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-01388-KBJ**

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION et al v. UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
Assigned to: Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson  
Case: 1:19-cv-01708-TFH  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/14/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/14/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEFENDANT ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6123631) filed by AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION FOUNDATION, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Hafetz, Jonathan) Modified text on 5/16/2019 (zeg). (Entered: 05/14/2019)
05/14/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION FOUNDATION (Hafetz, Jonathan) (Entered: 05/14/2019)
05/16/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson. (zeg) (Entered: 05/16/2019)
05/16/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zeg) (Entered: 05/16/2019)
05/16/2019	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Arthur B. Spitzer on behalf of All Plaintiffs (Spitzer, Arthur) (Entered: 05/16/2019)
06/06/2019	<u>5</u>	GENERAL ORDER AND GUIDELINES APPLICABLE TO FOIA CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON. The Court will hold the parties and counsel responsible for following these directives, and parties and counsel should pay particular attention to the Court's instructions for processing and production of records, batching motions, and filing exhibits. Failure to adhere to this Order may, when appropriate, result the imposition of sanctions and/or sua sponte denial of non-conforming motions. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 6/6/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 06/06/2019)
06/06/2019	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Katherine Boyd Palmer-Ball on behalf of UNITED STATES COAST GUARD (Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 06/06/2019)
06/07/2019	<u>7</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name- Steven M. Watt. , :Firm- American Civil Liberties Union, :Address- 125 Broad Street Suite 18. Phone No. - 212-549-2500. Fax No. - 212-549-2654 Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090-6172492. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION FOUNDATION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Hafetz, Jonathan) (Entered: 06/07/2019)
06/10/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Pending before this Court is a motion seeking pro hac vice admission of Steven M. Watt in this matter. (See ECF No. <u>7</u> .) The declaration attached to this motion omits the information required by LCvR 83.2(d)(5). Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiff shall file an errata attaching an updated declaration from Attorney Watt on or before 6/24/2019. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 6/10/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 06/10/2019)
06/11/2019	<u>8</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. All Plaintiffs (Spitzer, Arthur) Modified on 6/14/2019 (zjf). (Entered: 06/11/2019)
06/11/2019	<u>9</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 05/24/2019. (Spitzer, Arthur) (Entered: 06/11/2019)

06/11/2019	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 5/28/2019. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 6/27/2019. (Spitzer, Arthur) (Entered: 06/11/2019)
06/12/2019	<u>11</u>	ERRATA re <u>7</u> MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name- Steven M. Watt by AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION FOUNDATION. (Hafetz, Jonathan) Modified on 6/14/2019 to add docket link (jf). (Entered: 06/12/2019)
06/12/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>7</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. It is hereby ORDERED that Steven M. Watt is admitted pro hac vice in this matter as counsel for Plaintiff. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 6/12/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 06/12/2019)
06/14/2019		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: Document No. re <u>8</u> Summons Returned Executed as to Federal Defendant was entered in error and counsel was instructed to refile said pleading as to the Federal Defendant. (jf) (Entered: 06/14/2019)
06/24/2019	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Intent to File Answer by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD (Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 06/24/2019)
06/27/2019	<u>13</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD.(Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 06/27/2019)
06/28/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall review this Court's <u>5</u> General Order and Guidelines Applicable to FOIA Cases, and promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for disclosure or briefing motions for summary judgment, on or before 7/12/2019. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 6/28/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 06/28/2019)
07/12/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 07/12/2019)
07/15/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before 9/6/2019, the parties shall file a further joint status report, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 7/15/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 07/15/2019)
09/06/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 09/06/2019)
09/09/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before 10/7/2019, the parties shall file a further joint status report, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 9/9/2019. (lckbj1) (Entered: 09/09/2019)
10/07/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 10/07/2019)
10/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before 11/6/2019, the parties shall file a further joint status report, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 10/22/2019. (jag) (Entered: 10/22/2019)
11/06/2019	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Palmer-Ball, Katherine) (Entered: 11/06/2019)
11/12/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the representations in the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before 12/13/2019, the parties shall file a further joint status report, which shall include a proposed schedule for further proceedings if litigation is going to be necessary. Signed by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson on 11/12/2019. (jag) (Entered: 11/12/2019)